VOLUNTOWN/STERLING TRANSFER STATION

March 31, 2021

Regular Meeting	The Regular Meeting of the Voluntown/Sterling Transfer Station was held on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at the Ekonk Community Grange Hall. Tracey Hanson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
Members Present	Tracey Hanson, Gil Grimm, Melinda Bryan, Link Cooper, Fred Parker, Jeff Cooper
Officials Present	Steven Trahan, Transfer Station Operator
Citizens Present	None
Approval of Minutes	
Motion	A motion was made (G. Grimm/J. Cooper) to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2020. Link Cooper abstained. Motion approved.
Citizens Comments	Melinda Bryan asked a question as a resident regarding the denial of couch disposal. She was told that due to COVID-19 large furniture needed to be dismantled before disposal and they weren't being accepted.
Correspondence & Announcements	None
New Business	
Budget 21/22	Tracey Hanson reviewed the budget increases which were mostly due to the increases in recycling and hauling fees. There was talk on increasing disposal and permit fees to make up for this increase. It was agreed that the commission would put the fee increase on the agenda for the next meeting and have a list of nearby town fees for comparison.
Motion	A motion was made (L. Cooper/M. Bryan) to accept the budget as presented. All Approved.
50 Yard Dumpster	Mr. Trahan let the Commission know that the 50-yard dumpster is rotting out and will need replacement soon. The estimated cost would be approximately \$7,500.00. Ms. Hanson mentioned that this current budget year's budget is very tight and that there would be no money to use from it to purchase the dumpster, but money can be appropriated.
Motion	A motion was made (G. Grimm, L. Cooper) to approve the purchase of the 50-yard dumpster using money from wherever it would hurt less to take it out of (checking vs. Savings at Julie's discretion and not the current year's budget). All approved.
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.
APPROVED	
Date:	Signature: Tracey Hanson, First Selectman